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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 4779**  
Shinya KADONO et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2004\_1005A  
Serial No. 10/500,575 : Group Art Unit 2612  
Filed July 1, 2004 :

MOTION COMPENSATION METHOD,  
PICTURE CODING METHOD AND PICTURE  
DECODING METHOD

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED  
TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE  
FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT  
ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

**Prior to initial examination of the above-identified application, kindly amend the application as follows:**